



**North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
Division of Medical Assistance**

Community Support Services

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Community Support (CS): Today

Session Law 2009-451 Section 1068.A

- Community Support no longer under the NC Medicaid State Plan as of June 30, 2010
- Reduce Community Support
 - FY 09-10 \$65,000,000
 - FY 10-11 \$97,500,000

****Opportunity to make significant changes****

Community Support (CS): History

Community Support Cost

FY 2007	\$ 808,000,000
FY 2008	\$ 824,000,000
FY 2009	\$ 449,000,000

FY 2008- 2009

- 22,000 children (per/mo)
- 11,000 adults (per/mo)
 - consistent
 - 80%-90% of adults/children receive **CS ONLY**

Community Support: Overview

- A. **Service components**: case management & skill bldg
- B. **Eligibility**: Children & adults with identified mental health/substance abuse needs + functional needs
- C. **Providers**: Endorsed by LMEs, oversight by Licensed Professional (as of 1/09)
 - Qualified Professionals (Lic./master/bachelor + exp)
 - Associate Professionals (master/bachelor + exp)
 - Paraprofessionals (Diploma/GED + exp)

Community Support (CS): Lessons Learned

- Any “willing & *qualified* provider”
- Lack of accurate budget/utilization forecasting
- Lack of expected clinical outcomes
- Lack of qualified workforce/providers
- No **recovery** focus
- ~100 providers of CS-ONLY (current)
- Most consumers remained in CS

Community Support (CS): Lessons Learned

OBJECTIVES

(ALL services going forward)

- Clinical treatment managed by a Licensed Professional
- Comprehensive treatment environment that facilitates transition through and out of services
- Well-documented quality and outcome standards
- Focus on recovery & self-management

Community Support (CS): Transition

Goals

- Manage transition thoughtfully
- Use transition to make positive steps forward—improve clinical quality & outcomes

Transition Process

- DMA & DMH/DD/SAS collaboration w/community stakeholders
 - Recognition of consumer impact & unintended consequences
- DMA policy changes

Community Support (CS): Transition

Stakeholder Workgroup

- Lessons Learned
- Needs of current CS recipients
 - 1/3 more intensive services
 - 1/3 less intensive/OTPT/natural supports/primary care
 - 1/3 **high priority in transition**
- Unintended Consequences/Jobs

Agreement: Right Person, Right Care, Right Time

Transition: CS Policy Changes

- **October 12, 2009**
 - Elimination of paraprofessional in CS*
- **January 1, 2010**
 - No new CS admissions*

*EPSDT

Transition: CS Policy Changes

- September 28, 2009
 - All (prior authorization) requests:
 - May not exceed **90 days**
 - Must include a **Discharge/Transition Plan**
 - Indicates how individual will transition out of CS

Transition: CS Enrollment Forecast**

- Late Fall 2009
 - 22,000 children (mo)
 - 11, 000 adults (mo)
- Early 2010
 - 12,500 children
 - 5,500 adults
- Early Spring 2010
 - 7,400 children
 - 2,700 adults
- Late Spring (June 2010)
 - 2300 children (EPSDT)
 - 0 adults

****Results of policy changes**

Community Supports - Adults

	FFY 10	FFY 11
Expenditures with no change	\$131,174,727	\$131,174,727
Projected service expenditures with phase out of Community Supports	\$47,672,955	\$0
Increases in existing enhanced services due to phase out of Community Supports	\$8,674,801	\$19,944,802
Total Cost Avoidance	(\$74,826,971)	(\$111,229,925)
Federal Share	(\$48,734,806)	(\$72,922,339)
State Share	(\$26,092,165)	(\$38,307,586)

Community Supports - Child

	FFY 10	FFY 11
Expenditures with no change	\$318,271,090	\$318,271,090
Projected service expenditures with phase out of Community Supports	\$123,090,652	\$0
Increases in existing enhanced services due to phase out of Community Supports	\$2,439,660	\$4,503,988
Total Cost Avoidance	(\$192,740,778)	(\$313,767,102)
Federal Share	(\$125,532,069)	(\$205,705,712)
State Share	(\$67,208,709)	(\$108,061,390)

Transition: DMA Policy Changes

Current/Projected Growth

- Intensive In Home Services (IIH)
- Community Support Team (CST)
- Multisystemic Therapy (MST)
- Assertive Community Treatment Team (ACTT)
- Psychosocial Rehabilitation (PSR)

Transition: DMA Policy Changes

Promote Quality Services & Monitor Growth

- Add metrics to measure outcomes
 - Clinical & financial dashboards
- Refining service definitions
 - Increasing provider qualifications
 - Requiring Licensed clinical oversight & delivery of services
 - Requiring family-based treatment for children
 - Defining clinical outcomes

Transition: DMA Policy Changes

Peer Support Services

- Early development w/stakeholders

Case Management

- Consolidation of medical/behavioral health
- Reduce duplication

DMA Vision